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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings in the application.

Claims 1-3 Canceled.

4. (Original) A frame for automatic umbrella style canopy tents, comprising: a rib holder with a plurality of upper ribs rotatably coupled to the rib holder in radial directions; a connection member mounted to the rib holder; a spreader holder engaging with the connection member and being movable upwards and downwards; a plurality of spreaders each coupled at respective ends thereof to a corresponding upper rib and to the spreader holder, thus expanding or closing the upper ribs in radial directions in response to upward or downward movement of the spreader holder; and a stopper mounted to a lower end of the connection member and preventing the spreader holder from being removed from the connection member,

wherein each of the spreaders comprises: front and rear stoppers provided at front and rear ends of the spreader, respectively; a movable block provided on the spreader at a position between the front and rear stoppers and integrated with a coupling rod coupled to each of the upper ribs; and a spring provided on the spreader at a position behind the movable block, thus allowing the movable block to be movable.

5. (Currently Amended) The frame for automatic umbrella style canopy tents according to claim 4 any one of claims 1 through 4, further comprising: a rope connector mounted to a lower end of the stopper and holding a tension rope which extends from a center of a ceiling part of a canopy of a tent, thus preventing the center of the ceiling part of the canopy from sagging when the tent is pitched.

6. (Currently Amended) An automatic umbrella style canopy tent comprising the frame of claim 4 any one of claims 1 through 4.